

SPECIAL MEETING – MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL
March 29, 2017

Mayor Paul M. Shapiro called the special meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Audrey P. Beck Building.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Kochenburger, Marcellino, Moran, Raymond, Ryan, Sargent, Shapiro

Excused: Keane, Shaiken

Staff Present: Town Manager Matthew Hart, Director of Finance Cherie Trahan, Assistant Town Manager Maria Capriola, IT Director Jaime Russell, Fire Chief Fran Raiola, and Deputy Fire Chief/Emergency Management Director/Fire Marshal Adam Libros

1. Staff Reports/Communications

Mayor Shapiro announced that the Town Manager's office will be sending out options for the rescheduling of next week's budget meetings in order to avoid members absences.

Town Manager Matt provided a number of scenarios based on different Teacher Retirement System (TRB) contribution amounts which could be required by the state budget. Ms. Raymond suggested that the Town look at structuring a reserve fund for this liability. Ms. Trahan agreed and suggested any funds designated for this purpose could be held in the CNR fund.

Mr. Hart also distributed the Council of Small Town's (COST) budget update.

2. Budget Review

- General Government – General Fund and Capital Projects

Request – Staff will report on the length of the Town Attorney's contract.

Future Suggestion – Staff will add a footnote indicating the percentage attributed to each entity that shares the service (Page 112 and 116).

Future Suggestion – Staff will footnote or append the line item detail for each department on the departmental activity pages.

- Public Safety – General Fund and Capital Projects

Flag – Staff will provide an organizational chart showing all full and part time proposed positions, all current and anticipated vacancies, and the associated cost for each.

Request – A footnote indicating that the salary (Page 127) has been put back into the General Fund from the Storrs Center Reserve will be added.

Request – Staff will correct error in the Vehicle Exhaust System narrative (Page 192).

3. Discussion of Proposed Budget/Council Questions

Members briefly discussed the limited options available for viable regional police services.

II. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ryan moved and Ms. Moran seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Motion passed unanimously.

Paul M. Shapiro, Mayor

Mary Stanton, Town Clerk

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